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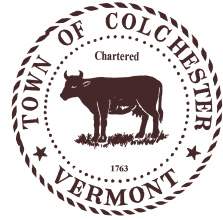
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Our mission is to provide leadership to create community and economic development that is sustainable and competitive globally and to be proactive in maintaining and enhancing the economic viability of Colchester through education, partnerships, innovation and strategic action.

One of our objectives is to foster and encourage appropriate economic development including innovative, technical, and globally competitive activities and educational opportunities that result in job creation, retention, increased tax base and an improved

sustainability and quality of life for the citizens of Colchester.

We assist current businesses with their expansion or relocation needs and help facilitate the local permitting process between businesses and the town. We work to bring value added businesses to locate in Colchester and we provide resources for business plan development, funding, and assistance to start ups and entrepreneurs. We are an ombudsman for the Colchester business community.



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2009 marks the 400th anniversary of French explorer and cartographer Samuel de Champlain's travels by sail, oar and paddle to the lake that now bears his name. All year long special opportunities are planned for young and old alike to celebrate and commemorate the anniversary of this historic occasion, the spectacular natural resources of the region, and the many peoples who have worked, battled and made their homes in the Lake Champlain Valley. Join the Colchester community as we have our main celebration July 4, 2009.

www.celebratechamplain.org

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Dear Colchester Residents and Visitors,

On behalf of the Colchester Community and Economic Development Advisory Council (CEDAC) we hope you enjoy the Quadri-centennial Edition of the Colchester "Our Town" Guide. Originally produced by the Colchester Tourism Council several years ago, we have updated and reprinted the Guide to celebrate Colchester and let residents and visitors alike learn more about their town and the businesses that serve us to help keep our local economy strong. Colchester is home to over 500 businesses employing over 8,500 people with an average wage of almost \$40,000 a year. The CEDAC was created July 2007 to be an advisory group to the Select Board comprised of local business members to advance Colchester's economic and community health based on the town's values and goals. CEDAC will provide:

- Recommendations to support the retention of existing business and

recruitment of desirable new businesses.

- A proposed Community and Economic Development Vision and Plan for the Town of Colchester.
- Support and help in the promotion of events/projects that enhance the Town's economic development.
- A sounding board for existing businesses and act as their advocate when appropriate.

The Colchester "Our Town" Guide is one of several economic development projects and issues we are tackling. We meet every third Thursday at 8:00 a.m. if you would like to attend one of our meetings. Contact Kimberly Murray with any comments or questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Chris Kurek, CEDAC Chair

Colchester, Vermont is graced by its location along the eastern shore of Lake Champlain, the crown jewel of the Northeastern United States. More than 118 miles long, Lake Champlain is a natural treasure that is full of history as well as opportunities for today's adventurers.

Colchester offers a unique combination of suburban and rural living. We have lovely offerings of residential living amid prime agricultural settings, with essential amenities scattered throughout in flourishing islands of commerce and services.

To our residents, our town is the hub of an extensive network of families, friends, and businesses. To our guests, Colchester is a vibrant community with a broad spectrum of activities and services available for their enjoyment and convenience.

Colchester's proximity to its nearest neighbor to the south, Burlington, provides access to the gifts of the key metropolitan center of Vermont only minutes away.

IT'S A FAMILY AFFAIR!

For the young and young at heart —

Colchester is loaded with great opportunities for your family. This convenient reference guide will make it easy for you to match your interests with our offerings. Browse through. You'll discover a great new idea for having fun!

COLCHESTER'S BOUNTY—

Our town boasts 27 miles of Lake Champlain shoreline. At the heart of this lake access is Malletts Bay, the most picturesque formation of the Lake Champlain Basin. It provides outdoor enthusiasts with year-round recreation opportunities. Malletts Bay is a natural harbor larger than most lakes in Vermont, providing visitors with stunning views, wildlife habitat, and great fishing!

Protected natural areas along the Winooski River and Colchester Pond are part of a system of public access parks overseen by the Winooski Valley Park District. McCrea Park, Delta Park, and Colchester Pond are three of these parks which are located within the town boundaries. The Colchester Pond area covers an amazing 693 acres!

Half Moon Cove is a local gem covering 206 acres and maintained by the Vermont State Fish and Wildlife Department. These areas help to complete the buffet of natural offerings to be found in our town. People interested in hiking, skiing, snowshoeing, or fishing are sure to find a favorite spot.

Colchester Bog, at Airport Park, is an unusual natural phenomenon that is visited by residents and visitors who are interested in enjoying a peaceful setting. As with all our natural areas, the bog is a wonderful attraction for birds and bird watchers.



TOWN OF COLCHESTER

Public Parks & Natural Areas



*Please refer to the
Colchester & Malletts Bay Area Map on
pages 18-19 for more information.*

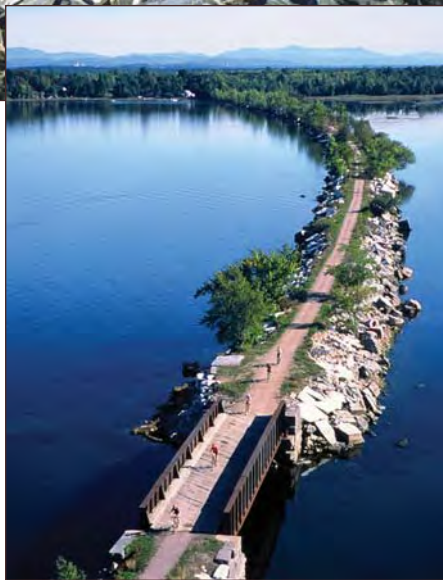
1. **Heritage Park** - located off Main Street on Heritage Drive, Colchester Village. 1-acre, parking, limited playground, tennis court, basketball court.
2. **Fort Ethan Allen Parade Grounds** - between route 15 and Dalton Drive. 19-acres, owned mutually with the Town of Essex. Playground, tennis courts, 2 soccer fields, cricket, rugby, gazebo. Walking trail.
3. **Sunny Hollow Natural Area** - access from Hercules Drive. 80-acre diverse area, limited parking, 3-miles of walking and x-country ski trails.
4. **Bayside Park** - both sides of Lakeshore Drive at intersection with Malletts Bay Avenue. 22-acres including parking, restrooms and bathhouse (beach-side), picnic area, pavilion, playground, swimming beach, Senior Center, 2 shuffleboard courts, 4 tennis courts, 1 basketball court, 2 sand volleyball courts, 1 baseball field, 1 lighted softball field, and 2 horseshoe pits.
5. **Bonanza Park** - on Bonanza Park Road off Heineburg Drive. .6-acre neighborhood park with limited playground and all-purpose field.
6. **Valleyfield Park** - on Valleyfield Drive off Malletts Bay Avenue. .65-acre neighborhood park with limited playground and all-purpose field.
7. **Causeway Park & Recreation Path** - 4-mile path connects to Rutland Railroad original bed and causeway across the lake (constructed 1897-1900). Renovated gravel path suitable for walking, biking, and fishing access. Duck hunting allowed (in season). Park at Airport Park or Mills Point Road lot.
8. **Law Island Natural Area** - west of Causeway off Colchester Point. 8.5 acres owned by the State of VT and managed by the Town of Colchester. Camping permitted, duck hunting allowed (in season).
9. **Porter Natural Area** - new, 56-acre natural area off Mills Point Road.
10. **Airport Park** - 64.5-acres located on Airport Road. 1.3 mile jogging / x-country ski trail, parking, restrooms, picnic area, pavilion, playground, 4 ball fields, 2 soccer fields, 2 sand volleyball courts, 6 horseshoe pits, 2 tennis courts, 1 basketball court, and lighted ice skating in the winter.
11. **Rossetti Natural Area** - 47-acre natural area between lake and Lakeshore Drive/Holy Cross Road/Church Road intersection conserving wetland, woods, sand beach and parking lot.
12. **Heineburg Access/Billado Park** - 4-acre, Town and State access to Winooski River off Heineburg Drive. Improvements in progress to provide accessible fishing access, non-motorized boat ramp, picnic area, path, and additional parking.



Photographs Courtesy of Local Motion

The Town of Colchester is fortunate to have two great bike paths. The crown jewel of the bike transportation network is the Colchester Causeway. This 4 mile path starts at Airport Park and as a paved path runs south to connect to the Burlington waterfront via the Burlington/Colchester bridge over the Winooski River or as a gravel path north on the old railroad bed constructed by the Rutland Railroad in the 1900's which connected Colchester to the Champlain Islands. A bike ferry runs part time in the summer to connect Colchester to South Hero. The main Causeway trail travels over Lake Champlain via the old railroad bed with stunning views of the Green Mountains and the Adirondacks. Parking is available at Airport Park or the Mills Point Road lot.

The second is the Colchester Recreation Path which starts at Bayside Park. This path travels off road and meanders through wooded areas and connects many Colchester neighborhoods with the final destination at the Creek Farm neighborhood in the village of Colchester.



The total length of this handicap accessible paved path is approximately 3.2 miles and the gradient is very gradual.

Colchester also has many short connecting paths which enable visitors and residents direct access to these main multi use path corridors. If you are looking for great biking or walking experiences you have it all here in Colchester.



A PLACE TO HANG YOUR HAT

Any trip to Vermont is made more comfortable if your lodging is close to your favorite activity. When all of your business or recreation hours are completed, our town can provide a choice of camping or comfortable motel accommodations. We can also set you up at a top flight hotel/conference center or you can discover lakeside rental opportunities. Come. Stay. Enjoy.

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802.878.5447

Malletts Bay Campground
88 Malletts Bay Campground Rd.
802.863.6980

ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Inn

124 College Parkway
802.655.6851

Hampton Inn

42 Lower Mountain View Dr.
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13 College Parkway
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Motel 6

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802.655.3515

Quality Inn

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802.655.1400

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Broadacres Bingo Hall

133 Broadacres Drive
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One Winooski Park
<http://academics.smcvt.edu/playhouse/season.htm>
802.654.2000

Sunset Drive-In

155 Porters Point Road
802.862.1800

VT Youth Orchestra

Elley-Long Music Center at
Saint Michael's College
223 Ethan Allen Avenue
802.655.5030

Arts & Entertainment continued on page 10

EAT & ENJOY! A VARIETY OF FINE DINING...

When it comes time for a nice meal, our town can deliver the goods! When the breakfast, lunch, or dinner bell rings, you're in luck. Variety is indeed the spice of life and you'll find it in Colchester. Fine dining, family fare, pizza, or fast food and snack bars are all available here and in our neighboring towns.

Arts & Entertainment continued from page 9

Yankee Lanes Bowling

215 Lower Mountain View Dr.
802.655.2720

FOOD & DINING

Bayside Bakery & Coffee Bar

824 West Lakeshore Drive
802.862.3318

Bayside Triple M Deli

88 Heineberg Drive
802.651.1009

Big Chili Republic

70 Roosevelt Highway
802.655.2500

Brigante' Snack Bar Inc.

Severance Road
802.878.4707

BU Emporium

22 Porters Point Road
802.658.4292

Chopstick House II

127 Porters Point Road
802.862.3600

Clover House Pub

42 Church Road
802.860.3631

The Coffee Hound

97 Blakely Road
802.651.8963

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802.655.5555

Libby's Blue Line Diner

1 Roosevelt Highway
802.654.3910

Ming's Restaurant

88 Heineberg Drive
802.860.2828

New York Pizza Oven

792 West Lakeshore Drive
802.658.0925

Purple Knight Pizza

29 College Parkway
802.655.6565

Rozzi's Lakeshore Tavern

1072 West Lakeshore Drive
802.863.2342

Spanked Puppy

4 Main Street
802.878.6440

Sunny Hollow Quick Stop

973 Roosevelt Hwy
802.655.2882

T. Bones Restaurant & Bar

38 Lower Mountain View Dr.
802.654.8008

Zachary's Pizza House

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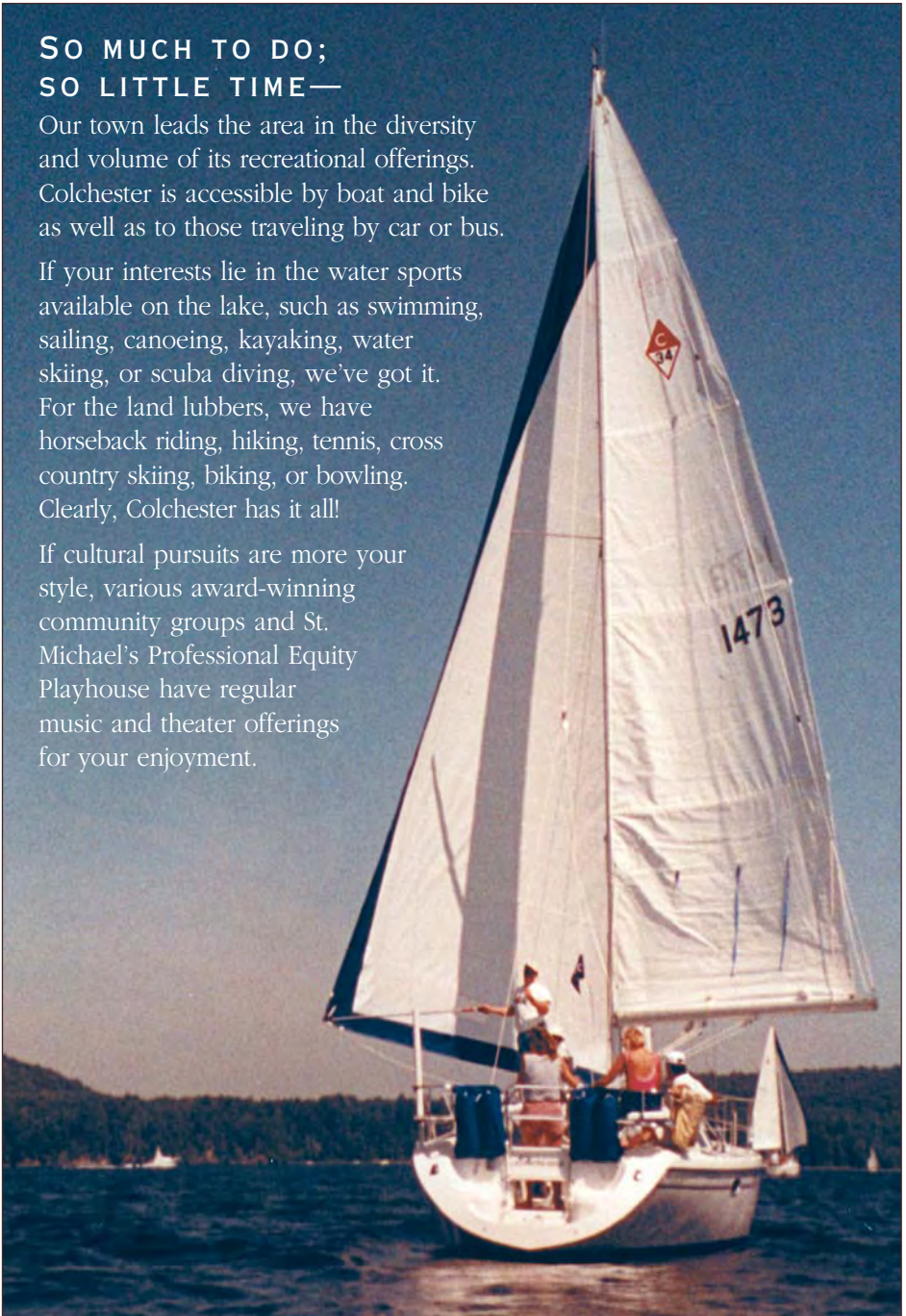
**On the lake, across from Bayside Park
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**SO MUCH TO DO;
SO LITTLE TIME—**

Our town leads the area in the diversity and volume of its recreational offerings. Colchester is accessible by boat and bike as well as to those traveling by car or bus.

If your interests lie in the water sports available on the lake, such as swimming, sailing, canoeing, kayaking, water skiing, or scuba diving, we've got it. For the land lubbers, we have horseback riding, hiking, tennis, cross country skiing, biking, or bowling. Clearly, Colchester has it all!

If cultural pursuits are more your style, various award-winning community groups and St. Michael's Professional Equity Playhouse have regular music and theater offerings for your enjoyment.





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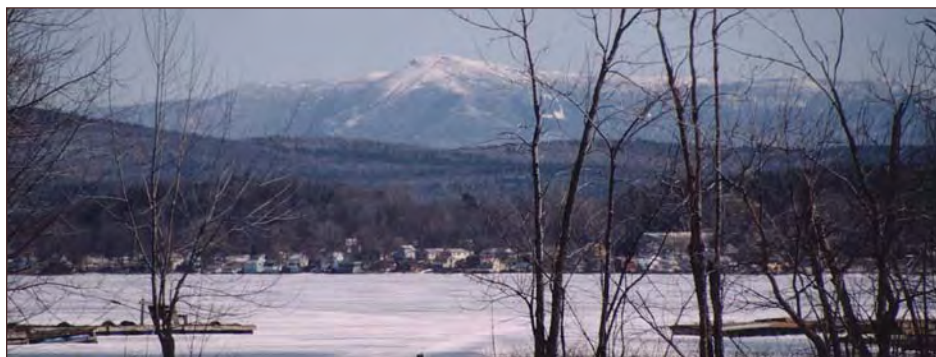
PREVENTION, HEALTH MAINTENANCE, AND EMERGENCY CARE

You'll find a full range of traditional health care in our town, including doctors, dentists, chiropractors, counselors, and eye care specialists. You'll also find that Colchester offers a choice of pharmacies at different locations throughout the town. In addition, take note of the wide range of other health-related offerings such as our home health care, holistic health practitioners, martial arts and dance studios.

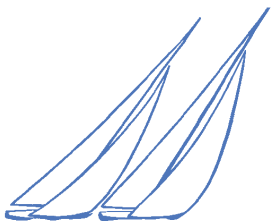
For emergency care, Colchester has two fully equipped rescue stations and ambulances as well as the Fanny Allen Campus of Fletcher Allen Health Care, the premier hospital in the state.

You can call 911 for emergency ambulance assistance.

A complete listing of emergency numbers can be found in our directory of important telephone numbers (at the inside back of this booklet).



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OUR TOWN

OCTOBER

- Preschool Halloween party, Burnham Memorial Library
- "Haunted Colchester", Colchester Police, Colchester Theatre Company, Bayside Park
- Annual Ski, Skate & Sporting Goods Sale, Colchester High School (2nd weekend)
- Sam Mazza's Farmstand Fall Harvest Festival (Pumpkins!)

NOVEMBER

- Saint Michael's Playhouse - summer season to be announced in November, Ticket Office (802) 654-2281 M-F from 9am to 5pm.
- Annual craft fair and bazaar, Our Lady of Grace Church
- Church supper, Malletts Bay Congregational Church
- St. Michael's College Women's and Men's Basketball begins, call for information and dates, 802-654-2500
- Title I Family Fun Night, Malletts Bay School (call 802-264-5900 for date)
- Colchester High School Fall Concert (call 802-264-5700 for information)

DECEMBER

- Colchester Citizens Holiday Project
- Annual Colchester Craft & Antiques Show, at Colchester High School
- Special Olympics Vermont Unified Bowling North and Interscholastic Unified Bowling - at Yankee Lanes, Colchester (for dates and information, call Donna Rae at 802-863-5222)
- Holiday Fair, United Church of Colchester
- Christmas Tree lighting, Fletcher Allen Hospital - Fanny Allen Campus
- Community Chorus Christmas concert, McCarthy Arts Center, St. Michael's College
- Annual Christmas Tree Lighting at Town Green in the Village
- Holiday concert, Colchester High School Band
- Colchester High School PTO Bazaar, 1st weekend
- Colchester High School Madrigal Concert (call 802-264-5700 for date)
- Colchester Middle School Concert (call 802-264-5800 for dates)

JANUARY

- Winter Recreation Program Sign Up
- Malletts Bay School PTO Dessert/Concert Night (call 802-264-5900 for date)

FEBRUARY

- Colchester Winter Carnival (usually 1st weekend, subject to change due to weather)
- Tax help/advice, meet at Burnham Memorial Library, through April 15

MARCH

- Rotary Ice-out Raffle
- Malletts Bay School PTO Dessert/Concert Night (call 802-264-5900 for date)
- Town Meeting
- Colchester High School Spring Concert (802-264-5700)
- Recreation Summer Program Recreation

APRIL

- Colchester Rotary and Recreation Dept. Easter Egg Hunt (Saturday before Easter)
- Colchester Middle School Play at the High School (call 802-264-5800 for information)
- Youth Lacrosse Registration (802-264-5640)

MAY

- Saint Michael's Playhouse - summer season tickets on sale. Ticket Office (802) 654-2281 M-F from 9am to 5pm.
- Fly-Up Day at Malletts Bay School (call 802-264-5900)
- Malletts Bay Boat Club (MBBC) registration for junior sailing program (ages 8-16); open to the community. Contact John Meeks, 864-9005
- Special Olympics Vermont Bowling Tournament at Yankee Lanes, Colchester (for dates or information contact Donna Rae, 802-863-5222)
- Green-up Day
- Wednesday night sailboat race series begins, 5:00 pm arrival, 6:00 pm start in inner Malletts Bay (call International Sailing School and Club, 802-864-9065)
- International Sailing School and Club Annual Open House free sailboat rides, noon-5:00pm, contact Robin Doyle at 802-864-9065
- MBBC Thursday Eve. Sailboat Race Series begins (every Thurs. through 8/25), 6:20 1st start, inner Malletts Bay
- Perennial Plant Swap at Burnham Memorial Library 10am-11am (call 879-7576 for date)
- Colchester High School Spring Drama Show, Art Show and All State Music Festival (call 802-264-5700 for dates)
- Memorial Day Weekend Specials at Claussen's - both locations

**Call Colchester
Parks & Recreation for more
info on programs and events.**

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

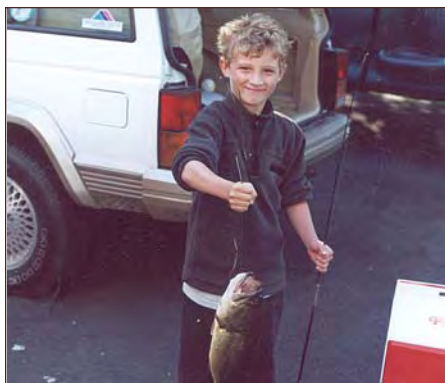
OUR TOWN

JUNE

- Rotary International Fishing Derby (Trout & Salmon), 1st weekend in June
- Summer Recreation Programs begin
- Colchester High School Graduation (usually 1st part of June)
- Bike Rodeo – 10 am- 12 noon, @ Malletts Bay School (call for date) sponsored by Colchester Police Dept., (802-264-5555)
- Special Olympics summer games (call Donna Rae, 802-863-5222)
- Sign-up for Burnham Memorial Library summer children's programs
- Annual book sale, Burnham Memorial Library
- S. Mazza's Annual Strawberry Festival – (3rd Saturday in June)
- Malletts Bay School Field Day (call 802-264-5900 for date)
- Malletts Bay School Talent Show (call 802-264-5900 for date)
- Lake Champlain International Fishing Derby Sat-Mon, Father's Day Weekend

JULY

- Concert Series, 1 Thursday; Call Town for Info, (802-264-5640)
- 4th of July fun run, in the Village, parade starts 11:00 am – fireworks at Bayside Park
- Chittenden County Bassmasters Open, Malletts Bay; Dave Derner, 802-893-1386
- Burnham Memorial Library's Annual Pet Show (802-879-7576)
- Colchester Triathlon (last Sunday in July), Swim (1/2 mile) or Canoe/Kayak (2.5 miles), Bike (12.0 miles), run (3.0 miles)
- Kickoff for summer children's reading program, Burnham Memorial Library (for information, see p. 18)



AUGUST

- International Sailing School and Club Annual "Discover Sailing Day", 1/2 hr. to 45 min. free sailboat rides, noon – 5:00pm
- Look for sweet corn and Vermont blueberries around this time!
- Lions Club Auction, call for dates, (802-879-1511)

SEPTEMBER














- Fall Recreation registration and programs begin
- MBBC Fall Midweek Sailboat Race Series, 1st start 5:55 pm
- Story hours start at Burnham Memorial Library
- Book discussions begin at Burnham Memorial Library, 3rd Thurs. of every Month, ends in May (call for info: 802-879-7576)
- Perennial plant swap at Burnham Memorial Library
- Malletts Bay Lakers Snowmobile Club meets 3rd Tues. eve. every month through April. 7:00pm, Rozzi's Lakeshore Tavern, W. Lakeshore Drive
- MBBC Fall Series (sailboat racing) begins, Sundays, 1:00 pm, inner Malletts Bay
- Annual LCI Bass Tournament, contact Jim Ehlers (802-860-0003)
- Colchester High School Open House and College Info Night (call 802-264-5700 for more information)
- Parent Open House at Malletts Bay School (call 802-264-5900 for date)
- Monthly Fine Arts performances begin at Malletts Bay School (call 802-264-5900 for date)
- Fall Festival at Claussen's Perennial Farm (call James MacAuley 879-6816)
- Youth Basketball Registration Begins (802-264-5640)
- Bill Kohlesch Wiffleball Tournament (802-264-5640)

COLCHESTER & MALLETTS BAY

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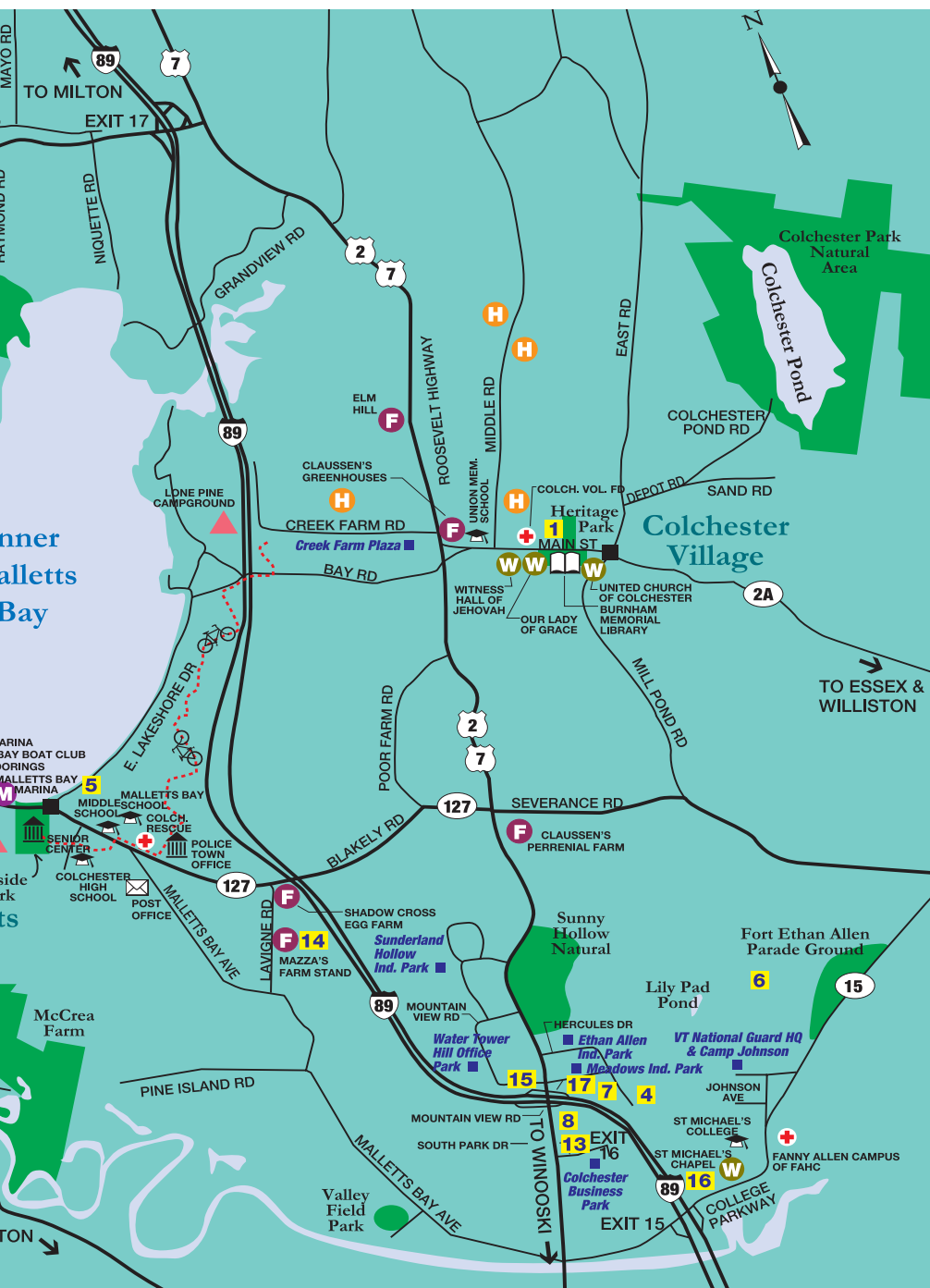
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-  MARINA
-  BOAT ACCESS
-  CAMPGROUND
-  FARM/FARM STAND/
GREENHOUSE
-  HORSE FARM
-  POST OFFICE
-  LIBRARY
-  HOUSE OF WORSHIP
-  LOCATION OF OUR
TOWN ADVERTISER
-  BIKE PATH



AREA MAP

OUR TOWN



BURNHAM MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The Burnham Memorial Library is Colchester's public library, located at 898 Main Street (Route 2A) on the Town Green in Colchester Village. The Library provides books and other resources for residents of all ages and encourages early childhood literacy and life-long learning. From storytime programs for young children to book discussions for adults, the Library offers a wide range of programs throughout the year. Library cards are free for all Colchester residents. The Home Card Program permits use of a Burnham card at many other Chittenden County libraries.



For information about what's happening at the library, call 879-7576, or visit the library website at www.burnham.lib.vt.us for access to the online catalog and a complete listing of library programs and activities. Also check the latest issue of the Colchester Sun.

Burnham Library offers:

- Over 54,000 items, including books, audiobooks, music CDs, videos & DVDs, magazines and newspapers.
- Public Computers for adults, children and teens, with Internet access & Free Wireless Access – bring in your laptop!
- Online Databases –magazine and newspaper articles, current medical information, genealogy, and more! Available from your home computer – free with your Burnham Library card.
- Online Audiobooks for downloading to your computer or MP3 player.
- Comfortable seating and a quiet study area; an active Youth Services department with picture books and toys for young children, materials for older kids, and a room set aside for teens. The Burnham Reading Room features a gas fireplace – a great place to read and study during the winter!
- Coffee, tea and hot chocolate available year-round — \$1.00/cup
- A film camera, projector, and editing software with laptop available for check-out to local non-profit groups. (Grant from Lake Champlain Access TV)
- Outreach Service to local child care and senior centers, & the Teen Center.
- Public Meeting Room.

Programs held at the library year round:

- Programs for adults featuring a variety of speakers and computer classes.
- Storytime Programs for pre-school children.
- Summer Reading Programs for children and teens — with lots of special activities.
- The “Reading Buddies” Program, pairing young readers with older mentors to strengthen reading skills.
- Film Programs for all ages.
- Perennial Plant Swaps in May and September.
- Holiday Tree Lighting and Sing-Along in December.
- Friends of the Burnham Library Book Sale – last weekend in June



EDUCATION —

Home to 2,300 students from K-12, Colchester maintains a large local campus in the center of town along with two satellite primary schools servicing our youngest citizens.

Our students are taught by a work force of nearly 200 teachers, many of whom have been celebrated for their statewide or national contributions to the field of education.

Innovative programs at every level prepare our young people for their roles as future leaders.

At the collegiate level, Colchester is proud to be the home of St. Michael's College, which infuses the community with academic, cultural, and international influences. In addition, there are six other colleges thriving in nearby Burlington, including the University of Vermont, Champlain College, and Burlington College, providing our residents with multiple options for higher educational opportunities. Numerous licensed day care providers throughout the town offer our future students quality care and learning.

In Fall 2009 Colchester welcomes the Albany College of Pharmacy (ACP) in opening their new Vermont campus on Water Tower Hill offering post graduate education in life sciences. Throughout its history, ACP has built

a reputation as a premier pharmacy institution. In this new era of health care, with scientific advances playing an ever-increasing role in medicine, ACP has built on this reputation by broadening their academic focus to include new programs in pharmaceutical sciences, biomedical technology, cytotechnology and clinical laboratory sciences.

INFORMATION SERVICES —

Our town is home to several computer / information / software businesses committed to bringing Colchester into the next century with our fingers on the pulse of the information field.

The Colchester Sun brings local and state news to homes free on a weekly basis.

POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS —

The residents of Colchester are fortunate to know that the protective services of the Colchester Police Department are a presence in our town. We see our officers in our schools, in our neighborhoods, and on our highways.

Three volunteer fire departments are on call in Colchester. Their selfless dedication helps us all to sleep easier.

Please refer to the inside-back cover of this publication for phone numbers.

HOUSE OF WORSHIP —

The spiritual support shared by our citizens at the numerous houses of worship adds to the glue of our community. Please note the listings for information.

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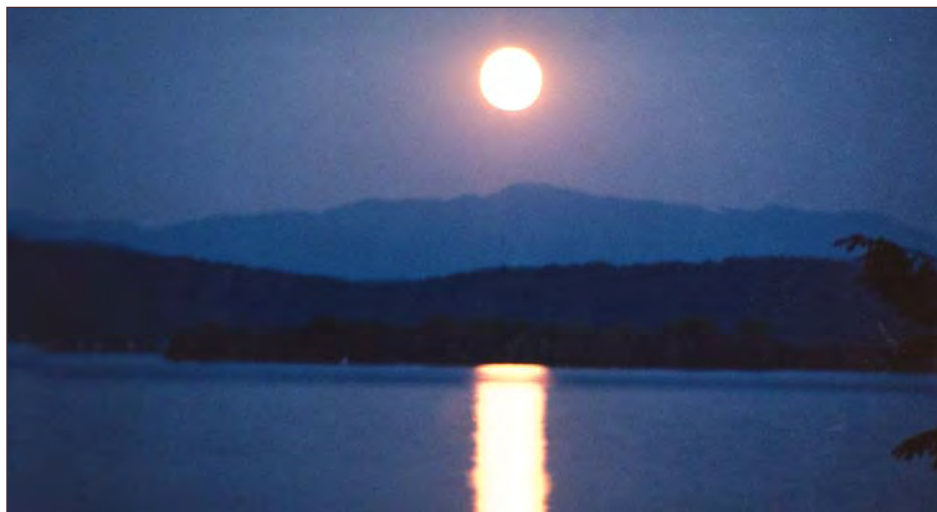
COLCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY —

Meets on the second
Monday of the month, White
Parsonage House in the
village at 828 Main Street.

Contact: Coralie Magoon
878-2035. The Colchester Historical Society is
responsible for the restoration of the log
schoolhouse which reopened in 2007 as the
Log School-house Information Center and
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Everyday assistance –

Our town is supported by an infrastructure of “nuts and bolts” services as well. Construction, excavating, landscaping, cleaners, auto parts and repair, hair and beauty care, pet supplies, and even our post office can all be located quickly and easily. Help is just around the corner.

If you need assistance finding the right professional service, call the Colchester Community and Economic Development Office and we'll try to help you find what you're looking for. 802-264-5508

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The Colchester Parks and Recreation Department strives to provide participants with high quality, affordable programs and activities for people of all ages and abilities. The Recreation Department does its best to accommodate those with special needs and offers programs to Colchester residents and non-residents for the same fee. Some park reservations are slightly higher for non-residents. Highlights from our year-round program include:

SUMMER

Summer opportunities center on programs and camps for youth. Options include tennis lessons, swim lessons at Bayside Beach, dance camps, preschool/primary camps, day camp, and all manner of sports camps. Adult programs include kayaking, nature walks, wall climbing, co-ed sand volleyball, self-defense, shuffleboard, and senior programs. Don't miss the huge annual Fair Day Celebration on the 4th of July, annual Triathlon and summer concert series.



FALL

Fall finds children back at studies and all ages in need of more indoor opportunities. A full slate of volleyball, basketball, and other sports programs coupled with educational workshops and after-school programs for youth enrichment, keep participants active and fit. Fall is also a great time to go on a walk in one of Colchester's many parks and natural areas, or participate in a foliage tour for Senior Citizens.

WINTER

Winter in Colchester, Vermont turns summer trails and parks into a winter playground. Ice skating, skiing, and snowshoeing opportunities abound and our annual Winter Carnival in February helps break even the worst case of cabin fever. Indoor programs are also in full swing offering a wide variety of sports, fitness, health & safety, early childhood, handcraft and special interest options. The annual Winter Carnival in February features all kinds of activities for families.

SPRING

Spring is a busy and beautiful time in Colchester which signals the start of spring baseball, softball, and soccer leagues. Parks come alive with activity and the Recreation Department responds. Don't miss our annual Easter Egg Hunt on the Saturday before Easter, co-sponsored with Colchester Lions Club, and the community-wide Green-up Day on the first Saturday in May. Please call the Colchester Parks and Recreation Department at 264-5640 for more information about these and other exciting programs offered in Colchester throughout the year.

MAKE TIME TO PLAY!

Colchester is proud of an extraordinary Parks and Recreation Department which presides over a vast array of recreational opportunities for our citizens of all ages. To assure maximum availability, the Recreation Department publishes seasonal menus of activities which are delivered to every home in Colchester.

Town celebrations such as the July 4th Fair Day, Winter Carnival Weekend, Triathlon and a summer concert series are annual events which bring us together as a community. A calendar of events is included on pages 16-17 for your easy reference.

Recreation facilities at three community parks; Airport Park, Bayside Park, and the Fort Ethan Allen parade grounds utilize over 90 acres of town land. Bayside Park is home to the town beach. Several small neighborhood parks, an 80-acre natural area, a 5-acre fishing access area, and a 4-mile recreation path that extends two miles into Lake Champlain are additional examples of Colchester's recreational riches.

Check out our convenient map on pages 18-19 to help you locate these great sites.



TOWN OFFICES

Municipal Offices, Blakely Rd., Colchester
(M-F 8am-4pm)

General Information	264-5500
Assessor	264-5671
Community & Economic Development	264-5508
Finance	264-5653
Parks/Recreation	264-5640
Planning/Zoning	264-5600
Public Works	264-5625
Town Clerk/Treasurer	264-5520
Town Manager	264-5501
Asst. Town Manager	264-5502
Town Health Officer	264-5607

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS

Lions Club	879-1511
Contact: Ken Emery	
Rotary Club	860-6359
Contact: George Bradbee	
The Girl Scout Council of VT	878-7131
Boy Scouts of America,	
Green Mountain Council	1-800-244-5189
Special Services Transportation Agency	655-7880
VFW, 6 Maple St., Winooski	655-9832
VFW, 176 Winooski Ave., Burlington	864-6532
Visiting Nurse Association (VNA)	658-1900

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Community Meal Site	658-2400
Senior Citizens Center at Bayside Park	658-2400

HOUSES OF WORSHIP

Colchester Community Baptist Church	865-4670
Day Break Community Church,	
89 Williams Road	338-9118
Holy Cross Church, 416 Church Rd. Rectory	863-3002
Islamic Society of VT, 73 Hegeman Ave.	653-6711
Jehovah's Witnesses, 64 Main St.	879-7232
Malletts Bay Congregational Church,	
1675 W. Lakeshore Dr.	658-9155
Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 784 Main St.	
Rectory	878-5987
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 24 Prim Rd. ..	658-0533
St. Michael's College Chapel	654-2333
United Church of Colchester, 900 Main Street	
(next to library)	879-5442

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LIBRARY

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Colchester Historical Society

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TOWN OFFICES

Town Clerk264-5520
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Senior Citizen Center658-2400

WEATHER

Weather Report (WJOY, WOKO Radio)863-3939

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